

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – State Services – Forest Department – Andhra Pradesh Forest Service Rules, 1997 – Amendments – Notification – Orders – Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (FOR.V) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.159

Dated:08-12-2008
Read the following:

1. G.O.Ms.No.154, Environment, Forests, Science & Technology (For.V) Department, dated 18.11.1997.
2. From the Director General of Forests & Spl. Secretary, Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, New Delhi Letter No.3-17/19-RT, dated 11.8.2004.
3. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad Lr.Rc.No.17127/2006/A.1, dt.19.4.2006.
4. Government Memo.No.2326/For.V/2007-1, Environment, Forests, Science & Technology (For.V) Department, dated 28.3.2007.
5. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh Hyderabad Ref.No.17127/06/A1, dated 10.4.2007.
6. From the Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission, Hyderabad Letter No.1107/RR/08, dated 18.11.2008.

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O R D E R:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad in his letter 3rd read above, has stated that the Government of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests, New Delhi vide their letter 2nd read above have notified the revised Entrance and Training Rules, 2004 for State Forest Service and Forest Range Officers and requested the State Government to ensure that the concerned recruitment rules for State Forest Service officers and Forest Range Officers be amended in accordance with the said rules since the State Forest Service is controlled by the State Government.

2. Accordingly, in the letter 3rd read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad has submitted proposals to Government to amend rules 9 and 10 of the Andhra Pradesh Forest Service Rules, 1997 issued in G.O.Ms.No.154, Environment, Forests, Science & Technology (For.V) Department, dated 18.11.1997 and requested the Government for issue of necessary orders in this regard.

3. Government after careful examination have accepted the above proposal and hereby issue the following amendments to the Andhra Pradesh Forest Service Rules, 1997 issued in G.O.Ms.No.154, Environment, Forests, Science & Technology (For.V) Department, dated 18.11.1997.

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4. Accordingly, the following Notification will be published in the Andhra Pradesh Gazette:

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to article 309 of the Constitution of India and of all other powers hereunto enabling, the Governor of Andhra Pradesh hereby makes the following amendments to the Andhra Pradesh Forest Service Rules, 1997 issued in G.O.Ms.No.154, Environment, Forests, Science & Technology (FOR.V) Department, dated the 18th November 1997 as amended subsequently from time to time.

AMENDMENTS

In the said rules, (1) for rules 9 and 10, the following shall be substituted, namely, -

"9. Physical Requirements: No person shall be eligible for appointment by direct recruitment, unless:-

- (i) he is not less than 163 Cms. In height;
- (ii) he has 79 Cms. Around the chest on expiration and must have on full inspiration, an expansion of not less than 5 Cms; and
- (iii) he is able to walk 25 Kms. In four (4) hours.
- (iv) must undergo a medical examination to be conducted by the Medical Board at Hyderabad and produce a health certificate signed by the Medical Board in the form prescribed by article 49 of the Civil Service Regulations testifying to the candidates sound hearing and general physical fitness for outdoor work in the Forest Department and to the fact that he bears on his body marks of successful vaccination.

Provided that for appointment by direct recruitment to the post of Assistant Conservator of Forests and Forest Range Officer, no women candidate shall be considered eligible, unless, besides fulfilling the requirement in item (iv) above.

- (i) she is not less than 150 Cms. In height;
- (iii) she has 74 Cms. Around the chest on expiration and must have, on full inspiration, an expansion of not less than 5 Cms; and
- (iii) she is able to walk 16 Kms. In four (4) hours.

Provided further that in the case of candidates belonging to Scheduled Tribes and races such as Gurkhas, Nepalese, Assamese, Meghalaya, Ladakh, Nagalnd, Manipui, Goutha, Kashmiri, Sikkimese, Bhutnese and Tripura, the minimum standard of height shall be as follows:

Men 152 Cms.
Women 145 Cms."

10. Training-study course:

(a) (i) A probationary Assistant Conservator of Forests appointed by Direct Recruitment, shall undergo a special course of study for a period of eighteen months in any of the State Forest Service College run by the Government of India.

(ii) A probationary Range Officer appointed by direct recruitment shall undergo a special course of study for a period of eighteen months in any of the Forest Range Officers College run by the Government of India.

If any such probationer is prevented by sickness or any other adequate cause from appearing at the final examination at above Colleges at the end of the Course the Government may allow him to appear at the next final examination, in which case the period of probation specified in rule 7 shall be deemed to have been extended by a period equivalent to the interval between the aforesaid final examinations."

2. In the annexure, under Class A, in column (3) for the qualifications:-

(i) for 'Category 2 Asst. Conservator of Forests', against item (i) 'By direct Recruitment', the following shall be substituted, namely:-

"Must possess a Bachelors Degree of a University in India established or incorporated by or under a Central Act or State Act or a Provincial Act or an Institution recognized by the University Grants Commission or any equivalent qualification in the following subjects:-

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| (I) | Agriculture |
| (II) | Botany |
| (III) | Chemistry |
| (IV) | Computer Applications/Computer Science |
| (V) | Engineering
(Agriculture/Chemical/Civil/Computer/Electrical/
Electronics/Mechanical) |
| (VI) | Environmental Science |
| (VII) | Forestry |
| (VIII) | Geology |
| (IX) | Horticulture |
| (X) | Mathematics |
| (XI) | Physics |
| (XII) | Statistics |
| (XIII) | Veterinary Science |
| (XIV) | Zoology" |

(i) for 'Category 3 Range Officer', against item (i) 'By direct Recruitment', the following shall be substituted, namely:-

"Must possess a Bachelors Degree of a University in India established or incorporated by or under a Central Act or State Act or a Provincial Act or an Institution recognized by the University Grants Commission or any equivalent qualification in the following subjects:-

- (I) Agriculture
- (II) Botany
- (III) Chemistry
- (IV) Computer Applications/Computer Science
- (V) Engineering
(Agriculture/Chemical/Civil/Computer/Electrical/
Electronics/Mechanical)
- (VI) Environmental Science
- (VII) Forestry
- (VIII) Geology
- (IX) Horticulture
- (X) Mathematics
- (XI) Physics
- (XII) Statistics
- (XIII) Veterinary Science
- (XIV) Zoology"

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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To

The Commissioner of Printing, Stationery & Stores Purchase, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad with a request to publish the Notification in the A.P. Gazette and furnish 100 copies to Government, 50 copies to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P., Hyderabad and 10 copies to the Secretary, A.P. Public Service Commission, Hyderabad.

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P., Hyderabad.

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The General Administration (Services-F) Department
The Law (B) Department / The E.F.S&T (For.I) Department
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